PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of Docket No: Q83178

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Appln. No.: 10/511,898 Group Art Unit: 2162

Confirmation No.: 6422 Examiner: Giovanna B. COLAN

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For: DEVICE FOR MANAGING DATA FILTERS

STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The following constitutes Applicant's Statement of Substance of Interview with respect to the interview conducted by Applicant's representative on March 7, 2007.

In the interview and the Interview Summary, the Examiner stated that the finality of the outstanding Office Action is withdrawn and that a new non-final Office Action would be sent. In view of these points, no response to the Office Action of January 3, 2007 will be made, and this statement by Applicant is thus necessary.

During the interview, the following was discussed:

- 1. Brief description of exhibits or demonstration: None.
- 2. Identification of claims discussed: Claim 1.
- 3. Identification of art discussed: The Underwood reference.
- 4. Identification of principal proposed amendments: None.

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5. Brief Identification of principal arguments: Applicant argued that claim 1 was

not anticipated by the cited references.

6. Indication of other pertinent matters discussed: Applicant argued that the finality

of the Office Action was improper.

7. Results of Interview: The Examiner agreed to issue a new non-final Office

Action, and assured Applicant later by telephone that the Office Action would be issued before

April 3, 2007.

It is respectfully submitted that the instant STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF

INTERVIEW complies with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§1.2 and 1.133 and MPEP §713.04.

It is believed that no petition or fee is required. However, if the USPTO deems

otherwise, Applicant hereby petitions for any extension of time which may be required to

maintain the pendency of this case, and any required fee, except for the Issue Fee, for such

extension is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880.

Respectfully submitted,

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